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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of: K. THOMAS et al.

Application No.: 09/898,255

Filed: July 3, 2001

For: METHOD AND SYSTEM OF  
SETTING AN/OR CONTROLLING OF A  
FOOD PRODUCT DISPENSING MACHINE  
USING A TAG-TYPE COMMUNICATION  
DEVICE

Group Art Unit: 2876

Examiner: Daniel St Cyr

Attorney Docket No.: 88265-4040

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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the time for responding to the Office Action mailed December 18, 2002, be extended for a period of one (1) month, from March 18, 2003, the date now set, to and including April 18, 2003.

The fee for this extension is estimated to be \$110. Please charge the required fee fees to Winston & Strawn Deposit Account No. 501-814.

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Respectfully submitted,

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